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#### THE NEW WATER RATES.

Want of Legal Authority by the Commissioners.

Acts of Congress Cited-The Corporation Ordinance of 1859-The Tax Made an Annual One Payable in January of Each Year-No Change of Contract Before January Next - Law Disregarded.

Upauthorized Action of the Commissioners To the Editor of the National Republican :

Str: Some time since a communication was

from January to January of each year. It was thus the law and custom for twenty years. There existed a regular lease or contract between the corporation and the water taker. It was so considered and treated from the begin-

In the same ordinauce of 1859, establishing the annual rates, it was provided "that the following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with any person who takes the

This was required to be printed with such regulations "upon every bill for water rent." They were so printed, and will be found on the bills rendered for 1879.

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If these regulations formed a "part" only, what was the whole contract? The main contract was that the corporation should furnish the water for the year forawhich the rent became due and payable from the taker; and on the part of the taker that he would pay the whole rent due for the year in advance, within thirty days from the lat of January.

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This then was the state of the case on the 1st of January, 1879.

Bills were rendered:

WATER HENT.

Taker—"To the District of Columbia, Dr., from January 1, 1879 to January 1, 1880, \$-..."

"If not paid on or before February 1, 1879, the few requires the water to be cut off, and \$2 extra charged." It is admitted that neither the Water Regis

trar nor the Commissioners had authority to change the law, or contract, at that time. change the law, or contract, at that time.

The Commissioners were asking for power, which was not granted until the 10th of June following.

Yet, though some paid the whole rent due for the year, yet payment was refused from others beyond the 1st of July.

Thus, in most cases, only half the rent actually due by law, and custom, and contract, was received.

There was no authority anywhere for this

It was, in fact, in violation of law and duty -unless there be somewhere an act of Con-gress granting the privilege to the water taker, to divide and pay his rents, as he does his

I have no knowledge of any such act, or of any such division of water rents before. Now, if it was the right and duty of the Corporation to demand and have the water rent for the year 1879, on the 1st of January and turnish water for the whole year, and i was also the right and duty of the taker to have the water for the year, and to pay the whole rent due therefor, then such action on the part of the Collector, though dictated by the Commissioners, either in view of obtaining the legislation asked for, or of changing the terms of the lease to make the time of payment of the parties under the law and contract, but emained precisely the same, though pay-was postponed of one-half the rent to a

more convenient time.

Thus, if no act of June 10 had been passed by Congress the other half of the rent thus due under the old law and contract would have been enforced.

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what right or authority could the collector refuse to receive the other half of rent due at any time time up to the very last day of June, when the Commissioners, acting under their young authority, promulgated their order changing and increa

Before that there can be no question, there was but the law and custom referred to under which rents for 1879 had become due and the rights and duties and obligations of Corpora-tion and taker fixed.

Could the Commissioners, under their newly

acquired authority, go back and unfix these rights, duties and obligations? Could they make a legal order impairing the

validity of the contract?

Could they thus sweep way "vested rights?"

Could they, on the part of the District, set aside and avoid the lease or contract upon which both had entered, and partly performed, and demand of the taker an increase of the rest

which had long been due? Had they authority to make an order thus retroactive in effect? For mind-the rent became due and fixed as

an obligation on the part of the taker-uot by virtue of any act of Registrar, Collector, or Commissioners, but by law and ordinance and custom, which alone established and fixed it for the whole year. Not for a month, or six months, or any part of a year, but for the whole year 1879.

Was it not then premature to give effect to the order on the next day after it was pub-

uld it not have been made to take effect

Should it not have been made to take effect on the 1st of January, 1880.

It was suggested that the order of June 30 be recalled, the other half of real due on the bills rendered for 1879, remaining supaid, be collected, and time taken for perfecting new requiations to go into effect from and after January 1, 1880, more acceptable to the puble.

But my communication went to the waste backet with a verdict of "nothing in it." backet, with a verdict of "nothing in it."

Perhaps not; yet I would like to have the point considered by the people, and perhaps in the end it may be found that there is some-SUGGESTER.

Caution to Postmasters. The custom of postmasters guessing at the

destination of misdirected letters and forwarding them accordingly has, in many instances caused considerable annoyance and loss of time to correspondents. The subject has been under consideration at the Postoffice Department, and a letter has been prepared recommending that postmasters be instructed to discontinue the practice. It is suggested that when the postmuster has positive knowledge of the true destination of a letter he should forward it, otherwise, it should be sent to the Dead Letter Office, or, if the necessary information is upon the envelope, it should be returned to the

#### RIDDLED WITH BULLETS.

a Democratic Magistrate in Virginia Administers Justice to the Negro. Last Thursday Felix Quander, the colored nan who was so barbarously treated in February last in Pairfax County, Va., was again the victim of another terrible outrage perpetrated by the same party. In February Quander, after being arrested on a false charge of stealing chickens, which he proved to have been his own, had his house surrounded by a mob of chivalrous whites, about thirty in number, headed by Truax, the man that charged him with stealing his own chickens, who fired on him and his defenseless family, wounding nearly all of them and destroying the sight of one of his sons. Following are the facts of the latest outrage as learned by

SER: Some time since a communication was submitted to the Commissioners, in which it was attempted to be shown that their order of June 30, establishing water rents on a new basis, and at increased rates, could not properly be given effect before the 1st of January, 1800.

The Commissioners took their authority "subject to all the duties and limitations provided in chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, relating to the District of Columbia."

One of the "limitations" requires water rates to be established on "a scale of annual rates."
This was in the original act donating the water works.

Under it the annual water rents were established by ordinances of the Corporation of Washington in 1850, and made payable in advance "on the first day of January is each year," and if not paid dwithin thirty days the water should be cut off, with penalty to be paid before it should be turned on again.

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The Public Debt.

The following is the recapitulation of the statement of the public debt of the United States for the mouth of June, 1879, just issued :

Interest bearing debt:
Bonds at 6 per cent.
Bonds at 4 per cent.
Refunding certificates.
Naval pension fund. Total ..... 1,796,912,890 00 Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity.....

Debt bearing no interest : old demand and legal-tender notes. ertificates of deposit..... ractional currency...... Total debt, principal and interest. 2.316,198,873 5 Total cash in the Treasury ...... 282.9 5.273 ( Debt, less cash in the Treasury

Aug. 1, 1879...... Do. July 1, 1879..... Increase of debt during month..... Increase since June 30, 1879...... 4.801,602 3: 78,767,550 20 2.671,284 9: 18,026,550 00 40,330,000 00

Coinage Statement. During the month of August there were

coined at the several mints of the United Eagles 12,000 Half eagles 21,700 

Appropriations for the Current Fiscal Year. The following is a statement of appropriaions made during the third session of the Forty-fifth Congress and first session of the Forty-sixth Congress for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, and for deficiencies for former years, prepared by the Warraut Division, Treasury Department :

Deficiencles	94.683,824	-5
Deficiencies	16,136,230	
sundry civil bill	17,681,868	å
Army bill	26,797,300	0
Naval bill	14,028,468	
Indian bill	4,713,478	
River and harbor bills	4,577,494	
Fortsand fortification bill	275,000	
Military Academy bill	319,547	
Post Office bills	5,872,870	
Pension bill (regular)	29,366,000	
Pension arrearage bill	26,867,200	
Consular and Diplomatic	1,007,735	
Expenses of United States Courts	2,090,000	
Miscellaneous	2,995,123	7
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Total	\$162,404,697	ď

The payments made from the Treasury by plar drill, which was very fine. The Knights warrants during the mouth of July were as folligive a hop at the hotel this evening.

On account of → 86.157,125.88

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The Fourth Auditorship. Major Lucien J. Barnes appeared in the field esterday as a candidate for the position of Fourth Auditor of the Treasury. His soldier ecord includes service at Vicksburg, for which he was recommended for promotion; at Wilson's Creek, and other points of interest in

sours Creek, and other points of interest in Missouri, and at Department Headquartors in St. Louis. As a civilian his record is equally strong, and he is urgently recommended by leading Republicans of his State and by many of others influence. Obio Auxiliary Campaign Committee. A called meeting of Ohio voters resident in

ional Committee rooms last evening, and the organization of a committee auxiliary to the Ohio State Republican contrait committee was effected. The purpose of this committee is to sid in the success of the Republican ticket in Ohio during the present campaign. The following afficers were elected and committees chosen: M. D. Montis, President; E. Hayes and F. L. Campbell, Vice-Presidents; J. Q Kern, secretary; George Richards, Treasurer; Com-nittee on Transportation, W. J. Dockstader, B. Will and Rodney Foos; Committee on Documents, consisting of one member from each Congressional district; Committee on Preparing Lists of Voters, consisting of seven The meeting was well attended.

### DEMOCRATIC DRAG NETS.

Progress of the Investigation at Cincinnati.

Witnesses Pall to Follow Instructions, and Refuse to Swear to Prepared Affidavits -"Shay Put in Things Not Authorized"-Character of Francis Kentuckians Sustained-

Witness Arrested.

Democratic Trickery Coming to Light. CINCINNATI, Aug. 1 .- The first witness be fore the Congressional Investigating Commit-

had pretty good character; others were rather

Mr. Campbell here stated to the committee that one witness, Charles Hayman, had just been arrested on a capins from the prosecuting attorney. Mr. Campbell said Mr. Wright had gone out of the room just previous to the ar-rest. He asserted the arrest was made to get witness out of the way.

Mr. Conger said Mr. Hayman was arrested

for rape.

John A. Goodson testified as to the character of the Kentuckians brought over by Francis, and gave the majority a rather good character.

The Labor Committee.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1 .- The Congressional Labor Committee to-day heard William Stewart, wholesale grocer. He thought the country was in fine condition, and especially the Northwest: thought there was money enough in the

bill, because it violated a treaty, but be favored probibiting Chinese immigration.

## Coal Freight Circular.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 1,-The following circular has been issued by the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company: On and after Friday, August 1, 1879, and at the option of the David Carter, on Twenty-first street, near shipper, the freight and tolls upon Anthracite Massachusetts avenue northwest. It is supby canal from Schuylkill Haven to New York harbor, to points upon the Hudson river, or to the points upon Long Island Sound, exclusive of the charge of towing from New York City, will be 37 new roat of the right and the control of the charge of the charge of the charge of the right and the control of the right and the charge of the right and the charge of the charge of the right and the charge of the char will be 53 per cent, of the price, at which said coal is sold alongside at the point of delivery, except for the pea coal for which the rate wil bo 7 percent; it being provided that if the coal is sent in private or leased boats no higher rate of freight will be taken into account than that current in the company's line boats, and provided further that the above drawbacks vill only be paid upon strict compliance on all letails with the rules and regulations pertainng thereto issued by the secretary of the com-

Knights Templar Pilgrimage. FORTRESS MOMROE, VA., Aug. 1.-R. James G. Bain, Grand Commander, has established his headquarters in the camp of Richmond Commandery No. 2, now here. This morning he gave a reception, at which General Getty and the officers of the post were present. At five p. m. Griel Commandery No. 16, of Norfolk, and Portsmouth Commandery arrived here on a visit to their Richmond friends. The three commanderies marched into the fort and loined the battalion which was reviewed by General Getty and Grand Commander Bain, after which Griel Commandery gave an exhibition of the Tem-

National Bantist Union.

FAIR POINT, N. Y., Aug. 1,-The second annual gathering of the National Baptist Union has just closed its session at Point Chautaqua with an able and eloquent sermon by the Rev. Reuben Jeffery, D. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., a musical matineo and interesting clos-ing exercises. Many excellent sermons and addresses have been delivered by eminent Baptist elergymen from various parts of the country and by distinguished men of other denom-

Dishonest Letter-Carrier Arrested. NEW YORK, Aug. 1 .- Charles Bussler, a letter-carrier employed in the postoffice here, was arrested to-day for embezzling letters which he had collected. When taken into enstedy five letters were found on him, one of them being addressed to Purwell & Co., ex-change brokers, Montreal, Canada, and con-tained a small sum of money. Bassler was hecity was held at the Republican Congres-tained a small sum of money. Bassler was where he admitted his guilt, and was held for examination. He was appointed letter-carrier in 1871, and collected and distributed letters in various city departments.

Judge Key's Journey. BURLINGTON, Vr., Aug. 1 .- Postmaster General Key and party arrived this evening. The party were mot at Wells river by State dignitaries and welcomed to Vermont.

supper the party were driven about Burling-ton, and later were screnaded. General Key

ared and was introduced by Hon. G. G.

sand every one present soomed auxious to contribute to the graud success which awaits the Republican party in Ohlo next October. The next meeting will be at the Republican Congressional Committee rooms on F street next Wednesday evening at eight o'clock, when a wednesday evening at eight o'clock, when a

#### SPORTS OF THE TURE.

Saratoga Ruces Yesterday. SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. I .- For the first race, dash of three-quarters of a mile, for a purse of \$500, the following pool was sold: Checkmate, \$100; Una, \$20; Gabriel, \$15; Pique, \$5. The field-Lady Middleton, Dell, Terror, Elastic

filly, \$10. The race resulted in a dead heat between Checkmate and Lady Middleton; Gabriel third. Time, 1:17. Checkmate and Lady Middleton will run off the dead heat. For the second race, a free handicap, one mile and a quarter, the following pool was sold: Fortuna, \$250; Jericho, \$55; Eunica, \$15; Blossom, \$10; Nipper, \$10. Fortuna won the second race, Jericho second, and Nipper third.

Time, 2:102.

For the third race, a dash of one mile, for a purse of \$390, the following pool was sold: Skylark, \$35; Lanc-wood, \$110; Dairy Maid, \$110; Bowstring, \$95; Audax, \$55. Lanc-wood won, Dairy Maid second, and Audax third. Time, 1461

Sime, 1:461.

For the fourth race, a selling race, one mile For the fourth race, a selling race, one mile, for a purse of \$500, the following pool was sold: Dan K, \$100; Charlie Gorham, \$82; Jackserew, \$50. The field—Bill Dillon and Powhattan, \$25. The race was won by Charlie Gorham, Jackserew second, and Bill Dillon third. Time,

1:454. Lady Middleton wins the dead heat easy.

Last Day of the Cleveland Baces. CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 1 .- This was the las day of the Cleveland Club races. The attendance was large, but the track slow. Darby the favorite, won the 2:18 race in three straight heats, and Douglas, the favorite in the 2:28 race, won the first, third and fourth heats; Kitty Bates winning the second. The third heat of the 2:28 race, and the fourth heat of the 2:28 race were trotted on a heavy track. A hard shown variety the track of the 2:28 race were trotted on a heavy track. hard shower rendered the track very muddy, the horses trotting on the outside all the way round, which accounts for the slow time. The neeting has been a grand success in every par

2:28 class, purse \$1,500, divided. 

Time, 2:2414, 2:2514, 2:2614, 2:88. Second race, 2:18 class, purse \$2,500, divided : 
 Darby
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 Driver
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 Harris
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 Colonel Lewis
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 Adelaide
 draw
 Time, 2:2334, 2:2054, 2:4054.

"Judicial Impudence and Assumption." SALT LAKE, Aug. 1 .- The case of the execuors of the Young estate, before Judge Borewest; thought there was money enough in the Northwest. The only thing that would hinder the presperity of the country was abundant money.

Chairman Wright—Don't you know \$400.

I the preside by two of the executors, has an article in regard to the case heared and Assumption." It says: "It is assumption." It says: "It is assumption." man, for contempt, has been postponed until

patch says: "A special to the Star reports that Henry and Matthew Stellerback were killed and two merchants wounded near Salaro Camp, Santa Ritas mountains, on the 30th ult., by Mexican highwaymen.

A House Burned by Thieves. The alarm from box 39 this morning at half-post two o'clock was caused by fire being discovered in the grocery store of surance of \$1,000.

The Water Inspectors.

The ten water inspectors furloughed on th 15th of March last yesterday reported for duty by direction of the Water Registrar, at a re duced compensation. Since they were fur-loughed the police have performed their duties. Water Registrar Cox yesterday al-

duties. Water Registrar Cox yesterday addressed the following letter to Major Morgan:
Major Thomas P. Morgan, Chief of Metropolitan Police, Washington, D. G.
Majon: Our inspectors having been restored to duty, after a furlough of four and a-haif months, during which time your overworked department rendered valuable service to the Water Department, I take this method of thanking the members of the police, through you, for their prompt and cheerful compliance with the duties imposed upon them, for which they deserve the commendation of the District government and the citizens of the District generally. With my best whices for your and their future prosperity, believe me ever truly yours. cenerally. With my best wants on july yours, future prosperity, believe me ever truly yours, THOMAS C. COX.

Water Registrar, District of Columbi

Three Divorce Suits. Edmund Cabell yesterday filed a bill for di vorce from his wife, Hannah E. Cabell. The parties were married in May, 1862, in Alexandria, Va., and both have resided in this city since 1870. He charges that, in May, 1874, the defendant descreed him, and, although fre-quently urged, she persists in her refusal to

live with him, Pauline Wilson, by her solicitor, Fillmore Beall, filed a petition for divorce from her hus-band, Melville Wilson. They were married in this city in 1874, her malden name being Kneass, have had one son, and she charges that he deserted her in February, 1879. The defendant is said to be now living at Burat Mills, Montgomery County, M3. A third suit was entered by Jonas K. Red-

A third suit was entered by Jones K. Redington for Emily Fitzpatrick, brought by her next friend, W. Higman, asking for divorce from John Fitzpatrick. This couple were married in October, 1876, at Cincinnati, she being then fourteen years of age, and she charges that since that time he has been guilty of repeated acts of cruelty, her life being enof repeated acts of cruelty, her life being en-dangered, &c.

A Long Pigeon Flight.

Twelve carrier pigeons have been sent from he Signal Service Bureau in this city to Genoral Miles, up in Dakota, who will let them out, with messages tied around their necks, ad-dressed to "Oid Probabilities." The time of their departure from Miles' headquarters will be noted in the messages they bear, and time of arrival in Washington carefully noted. The experiment will be an interesting one.

Charles Johnson, an old and well-known colored citizen of Washington, residing at 906 After Third street northwest, fied yesterday morn ing of apoplexy. The deceased was seventy years of age, and was probably the heaviest man in the District, as he tipped the beam at 400 pounds. "Uncle Charley," as he was familiarly called by residents of the "old Fourth Ward," had hosts of friends, who will hear with regret of his demise.

A Child's Torrible Fall.

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# YELLOW FEVER REPORTS.

#### Continued Ravages of the Fever at Memphis.

Thirteen New Cases Yesterday-Colored People's Opposition to Camping-Action of the Committee of Safety-A Liberal Contribution - Terrible Mortality on Shipboard-New Orleans Cases.

Memphis Morning Report

MEMPILIS, Aug. 1 .- Nine new cases of yellow over were reported to the Board of Health this morning. Among the number is Rev. Father Dayle, pastor of St. Bridget's Catholic Church. Four additional cases, not included in the above, are reported of persons residing beyond the city limits. Three deaths have occurred since last night-John Holly, Charles Bennett, jr., and Tony Botto. The weather is clear and

WARM. FOUR NEW CASES DURING THE DAY. MEMPHIS, Aug. 1 .- Four more new cases were reported to the Board of Health this aftersoon. Rev. Father Fahey, assistant paster at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, being one of the number. One additional death has occurred, Mitchel Escozo, residing at the corner of Sixth street and Broadway, in Fort Pickering. Among the contributions received to-day was \$200 from no. B. Drake, proprietor of the Grand Pacific

Hotel, Chicago.

THE CAMP CONTROVERSY.

At a full meeting of the committee of safety, held this afternoon, the following public declaration was unanimously adopted:

held this afternoon, the following public declaration was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The committee of safety and the official representatives of the taxing district have been informed, through the public prints, of the resolution of a number of eithems, chiedly, if not altogether of the colored race, to reject our plan for the common welfare, and their, parpose to appeal to property-owners of the city and to the public at large to sustain them in this course; therefore, let it.

Resolved, First, that we fully concede to these people the inalienable right of thinking and of acting under the laws of the land for their own good.

Second—That at the same time the committee is constrained to testify that in our plans we are shipped to the seeking the good of all our people present and absent, colored and white.

Third—That in forming camps we are acting under the advice and with the approbation of the official representatives of Tennessee and of the United States, and that we have the approval of the State and National Boards of Health in seeking the population from infected localities.

Fourth—That only by means of camps is the population from infected localities.

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Fourth—That only by means of camps is the population from the city to draw rations. Our men are too tew to guard so wide an area as that covered by the town, and when people then come into the infectes locality they will carry the seed of disease with thou all over the land.

Fifth—That in forming as in carrying, into effect these plans, we make no unjust discriminations against colored men. Of our regular police force how put on night duty one third are colored men, and all of the detail mail of volunteer command of Colonel Cameron are colored men, and the same supplies are dealt out by our committee on charity to the sick in colored families as in white families, the books of our committee being evidence of the fact. Two representative colored men, and the same supplies

Sixth—In submitting such facts to the judgment of absent property owners, and to the general public for their guidence, we further testify that in making the choice between our policy and that of the malcontents they must assume a grave responsibility in keeping human Hfe exposed for long months to great perili they must count upon wasting a great proportion of their charity on lidlers, who sneak into the town from adjacent points, and they must not be surprised if the minibers of those now engaged in releving want and suffering shall, in despair, bandon their arduous work and leave a misguided people to their fate. Seventh—In thus expressing our minds under a sense of duty to the city and to the public, this committee would not wish to utter one harsh or argry word against people misted, as we believe, by ambitious and miniormed leaders who seem to prefer their own imagined exaitation or profit to the best interests of their followers.

The following resolution, offered by Captain Sixth-In submitting such facts to the judgmen

The following resolution, offered by Captain The following resolution, observed by Captain James Glass, colored, was adopted:

Resolved. That the colored people be informed through the papers that whenever they choose to form camps under the regulations aiready prescribed, outside of infected localities, they will be supplied on Colonel Cameron's requisition, just as they are at Camp Marks, provided they be within reach of the commissary depot of Camp Marks.

Chief of Police Athy's daughter remains in a critical condition.
A VELLOW PEVER SHIP AT SAN FRANCISCO San Francisco, Aug. 1.—The ship Templar arrived last evening, 161 days from Rio Janeiro. where she had put in for repairs on the voyage out from New York. While in Rio the captain took the yellow fever, but recovered. Nine of the seamen died in port from that disease. The first day after leaving Rio the fever re-appeared. The wife of Captain Armstrong and Harry Cave and Michael Walsh, seamen, died, and Captain Armstrong, his daughter, the ship's carpenter, and soveral sailors were On June 24 William Snelling taken down. On June 24 William Snelling, the chief mate, fell overboard and was drowned. Captain Armstrong is still ill, and several of the crew have not fully recovered. The quarantine officers took charge of the vessel, destroyed the bedding and carpets, disinfected the ship and took her to quarantine. There has not been a new case of fever on board for three months.

for three months.

TWO MOBE CASES IN NEW ORLEANS. NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 1.—This afternoon Dr. Choppin accompanied Dr. White to the resi-lence of Captain Robert J. Howell, 119 Wash ington street, where Dr. White had two patients, Mrs. Howell and her little son, aged about three years, sick with fever since Tues-The physicians concur in the opinion that the patients have yellow fever. These cares will be reported to the Board of Health to-morrow. Howell's residence is one block from Mainegris, whose child had the yellow fever, and about three blocks from the house where the Spano girl died Monday.

OTHER REPORTS.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 1.—Of the five Memphisms under treatment at the yellow fever
hospital all are recovering and considered out danger. Sr. Louis, August 1.—There are no ne-

cases of yellow fever here. Mrs. Brandy and her children are rapidly recovering, and will be allowed to depart in a day or two. Wm Martin, who was sent down from the city yesterday, is much better. NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Charles Otto, one of the crew of the steamer City of New York, and William Kennedy, attached to the steamer Morro Castle, were admitted to the hospital at

quarantine to-day, sick from yellow fever. Looking After the Refugees Mr. John A. Baker, representing the mer

chants on Louisiana avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, called upon the Commisstoners and the Health Officer yesterday is reference to the published statement that Mr. John T. Mitchell had tendered the night jected to having a refuge of this dangerous kind in their midst. It was explained that Mr. Mitchell's purpose was simply to suggest that this building was better adapted to lodge poor refugees fleeing from the afflicted communities while passing through this city than the polic stations, he therefore made the proposal upo the condition, however, that the District Can Between ten and eleven o'clock last night a little child of Mr. Thomas Jacobs, residing at No. 2 F street northwest, fell out of a third story window, fracturing its skull and receiving other injuries. Dr. Layman, who was called in, stated that the child's injuries were fittal and had no hopes of its recovery.

#### GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

CHOLERA AMONG THE BRITISH TROOPS. LONDON, Aug. 1 .- This evening's Globe says 'A private telegram received in London states that cholera is raging fearfully among the troops returning to India from Afghanistan The Tenth hussars lost forty men in one day and the Seventeenth foot 195 men by the epi

Mr. Stanhope, under secretary for India, replying to inquiries made by the Press Associa tion, states that no information has reached the India office relative to the reported prevalence of cholers among the troops returning from Afghanistan,

INMAN STEAMER DETAINED.

LONDON, Aug. 1st .- In consequence of the esting of a steam valve on board the Inman

proceed on her voyage to New York. Her the resources of the country. For the want mails and passengers will be forwarded by the steamer City of Chester, which will leave Liv-

mails and passengers will be locked steamer City of Chester, which will leave Liverpool as soon as possible.

PAPPOOSE SECOND IN THE RACE.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The race for the Molecomb stakes came off at the Goodwood meeting to-day, and was won by Mr. H. E. Beddington's bay celt Brother to Emilia (Jockey Archer); Mr. P. Lorillard's chestnut filly Pappoose (Jockey Morbey) came in second, and Count F. De Lagrange's bay celt Milan (Jockey Goater) third. Seven ran. The betting just before the race was three to one against the Brother to Ersilia, six to one against Pappoose, and six to one against Milan. The Brother to Ersilia was shead of Pappoos to the half distance. Pappoose then appeared to have the race in hand, but failed when called upon for a final effort. The race was won by a length of the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed, but have been the local government are cellisting men on the plea that public order is disturbed.

St. Perfeuseure, Aug 1.—A naval review was held on Wednesday at Croustradt in which the United States steamer Enterprise took part. A grand dinner was given on Thursday by the Russian officers to the officers and sailors of

the Enterprise.
FINANCIAL AGENT DECORATED. FINANCIAL AGENT DECORATED.

Mr. Barker, the financial agent of the Russian government at Philadelphia, has been decorated with the second rank of the Order of St. Stanilas for his services in connection with the purchase of vessels in America for the Rus sian army during the last year.

made frequent trips to these parts. He is supposed to be in Baltimore, but diligent search and inquiry have thus far failed to reveal his sive, and the Chillans are leaving him to starve

citizens and property-holders on Capitol Hill, had an interview with Commissioner Deut yesterday morning, and asked that the design of Mr. P. J. Lauritzen be accented for the new school building in that locality instead of any medified plan. A lengthy conversation ensued as to the object of stinting this building and in-quiry developed the fact that the money thus saved was to be applied to the other school buildings. The point was raised that the appropriation was made for a specific purthe appropriation was made to a specific pur-pose, and any amount unexpended in the erec-tion of those two buildings would have to be covered back into the Treasury under the law. Commissioner Deet said that an examination would be made, and if it was found that such was the fact, it would influence the action of the Commissioners in the premises,

A Way to Defy Water Rates Preparations are being made for the boring bored in the sidewalk, a few feet from the ladies' entrance on G street. It is intended to bore 175 feet, when it is expected that a presmingo up to sure of seventy-five gallous of pure water per minute will be had. The presecutors of the work say that by boring down a few feet they can get a supply of water, but it will only be 4,500 tous.

surface water.

If they cannot get what is desired at 175 feet they will go lower, and continue to bore until the desired quantity and quality is precured. By going deeper they think they can get a flowing well, but their present object is to get a pump-well. They feel confident that the experiment will never meaning. orfice water. a pump-wen. They leef contact that the experiment will prove successful. The boring will be begun about the middle of next week. The work has already been pushed so far as the erection of a scaffold about 100 feet in

A Highwaymen Ballled.

Yesterday morning between two and three clock Mr. J. Hadley Doyle, of the Sunday Herald, while walking on Pennsylvania ave nue, near Twenty-fifth street, was approached by a burly looking man, who inquired what time it was. Mr. Doyle replied that he had no watch, but the stranger insisted that he had, and seized him roughly. A struggle followed, during which the man made a lunge at Doylo with a knie, but fortunately only ripped his coat sleeve. Doylestruck at his assailant, but, lodging house as a temporary place for keepas the latter was much the stronger man, the
probabilities are that Dayle would have been
pess men in that neighborhood strongly obseriously injured if the garroter had not been frightened off by the approach of a charlo filled with returning excursionists. Doyle threw a big stone after the fleeling form of hi

The Railroad Nuisance.

assailant.

In regard to the complaint of R. A. Bacon against the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company for using Virginia avenue, between Third and Four-and-a-half streets southwest. or a general freight depot, Assistant Attorne, Francis Miller expresses the opinion that th ompany has no authority to do so, and recom mends that the facts be ascertained in order that an official communication be addressed the company upon the subject.

# SOUTHERN NEIGHBORS.

#### A Generally Unsatisfactory Condition of Affairs.

Progress of the Costa Rica Railroad -An Opportune Settlement for Peru-Large Quantity of Arms and Ammunition Secured - Progress of the South American War-Haytlan Riots.

#### From Central South and America.

PANAMA, July 24.-Work has been begun on the Pacific section of the Costa Rica Railroad. The steamer Irazu brought down from Nicaragua 400 laborers, who are now actively the steamer City of Richmond just after she had sailed from Queenstown for New York she has been detained for repairs. One man was can be obtained from the small towns on the slightly injured by the accident,

QTRENSTOWN, Aug. 1.—In consequence of the damage caused by the bursting of her steam valve the steamer City of Richmond will not as the only practicable one, taking into account Pacific slope of the little Republic. The

on the plea that public order is disturbed, but really to control the elections in their own interest. Several State Governments has been overturned in the interest of one or the other

overturned in the interest of one or the other candidates, and this has already cost fully 60% lives and hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The river steamer Simon Bolivar was wrecked recently on the Magdalen river. Cargo and vessel were compistely lost, but the passengers and crew were saved.

On the Chiriqui frontier of the State of Panama a row has occurred between the Colombian and Costa Rica authorities. The quarrel is about the exercise of jurisdiction over a particular furritory, king to the north of over a portion of territory lying to the north of Point Burica, which is claimed by both parties, but over which Columbia has hitherto

sian army during the last year.

A MISSING SKIPPER.

Schooner and Crew Deserted by Their Captain.

About the 15th of last month the schooner and manding, arrived at Riley's wharf in this city with a cargo of lumber from York River, Va., consigned to Messrs. T. W. Smith & Co. After lying at the wharf for two days she was unsoney, amounting to \$105. He disappeared from the city a few hours afterward, leaving his crew unpaid, and unprovided with ship strees, but no feeling in all the see encounters they have had hitherto, have not failed to do serious damage. The foremast has been taken o'clock yesterday afternoon she was still lying-to waiting for orders. Messrs. Johnson to provide the crew with listing to form the city a few hours afterward, leaving list crew unpaid, and unprovided with ship stores. The vessel was pulled out into the river some yards from the wharf, and at seven o'clock yesterday afternoon she was still lying-to waiting for orders. Messrs. Johnson by was her owner, and ascertained that Mr. W. H. Aliman, temporarily residing on Staten listand, New York, was the party. He was telegraphed to for instructions, and in his reply, received yesterday, he authorizes the Messrs. Johnson to provide the crew with wasterer they require and he will pay all bills. He also expressed an intention of command of the vessel for about two years, and has made frequent trips to these parts. He is supposed to the case, in a confined to parades maderic standards. The Chilians and Arica, Tac two Prosidents are at the latter place, but no advance has yet been made, and practically it is impossible to reach the Atneana desert with a large force and keep up means of communication by and an attack was some time ago reported, but command General Campers, with 2,500 Bolivian sol-and has diers, is near the Chilian out-posts at Calama.

and inquiry have thus far failed to reveal his whereabouts. No cause is assigned for his disappearance, but the opinion of river men is that liquor, to which he was somewhat addicted, is to blame for his absence.

The New School Buildings.

Messrs. W. H. Barton, S. H. Walker and Silas C. Clark, a committee representing the behas submitted a plan for the restification of citizens and preparaty-holders on Could be settled by other means, and it is thought that he has submitted a plan for the restification of the frontier, which the allied powers might

the frontier, which the allied powers might accept without loss of dignity.

INSURRECTIONARY MOVEMENTS IN HAYTI. HAVANA, Aug. 4 .- The German mail steam er has arrived from St. Thomas, which Island she left on July 27. President Bolsroud Canal and wife, accompanied by the Secretaries of State, M. M. Thoby and Ethearts, arrived at St. Thomas on July 25 on board the Freuch steamer Desirade, from Hayti. President steamer Destrade, from Hayti. President Canal resigned the government of Hayti into the hands of the National Assembly at Portau-Prince on July 17. It was the general opinion that a disastrous civil war was about to commence in Hayti. Where were numerous pretenders to the Presidency. Everybody was under arms. The whole North was in possession of the revolutionists, who were marching on masse on Port-au-Prince. On July 18 Cape Haytian was in the bands of the revolutionists, and the commander of the governtionists, and the commander of the govern-ment troops had taken refuge in the Consulate of the United States. The insurgents had of an Artesian well to supply the Riggs House captured the Haytian coasting steamer Ray with pure, fresh well water. The well is to be mand, with a cargo of arms and \$6,000 h specie.

ALL QUIET IN SAN DOMINGO. ALL QUIET IN SAN DOMINGO.

HAVANA, Aug. 1.—Advices from San Domingo up to the 19th ulto, show that perfect peace prevailed. Large shipments of sugar and been made to the United States. The otal exports of the season were estimated

THEFT OF CUBAN-STAMPED PAPER. HAVANA, Aug. 1.—The Chief of Police has discovered an additional their of stamped paper, valued at \$15,000 gold, from the Treasary. Five persons have been arrested.

Death from Poisoned Pickles.

New York, Aug. 1.-The family of James Darke, of Riverside Drive and Elghty-fifth street, was reported polsoned this marning by cating pickles. Miss Karie Moore, who lived at 118 Miller street, Newark, and was visiting at Mrs. Darke's residence, died from eating them. Several members of Mr. Drake's family were seriously ill to-day from the effect of poison. The pickles were purchased from a German greer named Christian Kurtz, whose store is on the Boulevard between Eighty-third and Eighty-fourth streets. A needle was in erted into one of the pickles, and when alcovered with a coating of corroded copper. An analysis of some of the pickles will be made

Drowned at Cape May.

CAPE MAY, N. J., Aug. 1 .- Rev. John Graham, D. D., of Brighton, Eng., lost his life while bathing in the surf here this morning, naving ventured out too far. The body was recovered through the brave efforts of Dr. Graham's niece, Miss Bessie Graham. She secured the drowning man and clung to the pier with him until aid reached her, when the Doctor was found to be dead. The cause of his death is said to have been congestion of the heart; resulting from fright.

Bights of the Ponca Indians. BOSTON, Aug. 1 .- A meeting will be held here Monday to raise funds for prosecuting the proposed suits at law to establish the legal right of the Ponca Indians.